

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA) NO.
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 v.)
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 JOSEPH OLIVERI,)
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 Defendant.)

I N F O R M A T I O N

18 U.S.C. § 666(a)(1)(B)
(Corrupt Receipt of Reward for Official Action
Concerning Programs Receiving Federal Funds)

THE UNITED STATES ATTORNEY CHARGES:

At all times material to this Information, the Defendant JOSEPH OLIVERI was an elected member of the Board of Education for the Pittston Area School District, a local governmental agency within the meaning of federal law that received federal assistance in excess of \$10,000 during the one-year period beginning on January 1, 2009.

As a member of the Pittston Area School District Board of Education, JOSEPH OLIVERI exercised discretionary decision-making authority on behalf of the Board of Education and on behalf of the Pittston Area School District and was an agent of the Board of Education and of the Pittston Area School District. Among other discretionary decision-making activities, JOSEPH OLIVERI participated in the awarding of contracts on behalf of the Pittston Area School District.

Between on or about January 1, 2009 and on or about January

31, 2009, in the Middle District of Pennsylvania, the Defendant,

JOSEPH OLIVERI,

did knowingly, intentionally and corruptly accept, and agree to accept a thing of value from another person, namely, cash in an amount in excess of \$1,000 but less than \$5,000, intending to be rewarded in connection with support JOSEPH OLIVERI provided to a contractor who entered into a contract with the Pittston Area School District Board of Education.

It was part of the offense that JOSEPH OLIVERI, acting in his capacity as a member of the Pittston Area School District Board of Education, supported the efforts of a contractor who was seeking to enter into a contract with the Pittston Area School District involving a thing of value in excess of \$5,000.

It was further a part of the offense that, after JOSEPH OLIVERI supported the particular contractor for the contract, the contractor provided cash in an amount in excess of \$1,000 but less than \$5,000 to JOSEPH OLIVERI to reward JOSEPH OLIVERI for supporting the contractor's efforts to obtain the contract and to reward JOSEPH OLIVERI for support JOSEPH OLIVERI had provided in connection with a contract the contractor obtained for work in the Pittston Area School District.

In violation of Title 18, United States Code, §
666(a)(1)(B).

Dated: August 11, 2009

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